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## DATELINE

### Cuyamaca College to host Earth Day job fair April 26

RANCHO SAN DIEGO — Job seekers who are interested in environmental issues and careers can find questions answered at Cuyamaca College's "Earth Day," from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. on April 26. This free event offers information on the industry, the growing specialty fields and the promising career opportunities.

Cuyamaca College offers certificate and associate degree programs for students preparing for careers in environmental technology with an emphasis on hazardous materials/waste management, occupational health and safety, and related opportunities.

Earth Day is one of the month-long activities celebrating Spring Fest and saluting April as National Community College Month. Spring Fest events are free and open to all. Cuyamaca College is located at 900 Rancho San Diego Parkway.

### Boys & Girls Club to host golf tourney

SANTEE — The Boys & Girls Club of Santee will host its Second Annual Golf Tournament on Friday, April 30 at Carlton Oaks Country Club in Santee. Check in is scheduled for noon with a 1 p.m. shot gun start. The tournament will be a scramble format.

The entry fee is $100, which includes green fee, cart, two drinks on course, and a great banquet awards dinner. In addition, players will have the opportunity to win a new car in the club's hole-in-one contest. Hole, green and course sponsorships are also available for $100 each.

Anyone interested in playing or being a sponsor may contact Tournament Chairman Ike Warehime at 596-4232.

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# Grossmont High School District names New Yorker as new superintendent

**By Steven Saint**
*Managing Editor*

By unanimous acclaim, the Grossmont Union High School District Governing Board has invited Manhattan Superintendent Granger B. Ward to come west and run this district.

His hiring will become official at the May 6 board meeting, pending a board visit to Manhattan later this month.

"We're very excited," said GUHSD Board President Ted Crooks. "We want him to be our superintendent, he would like to be our superintendent, but we have some final contingencies to address."

Crooks perceives Ward as a peacemaker charged with rebuilding an office rocked with controversy since the 1996 resignation of Dr. Jo Ann Smith.

Grossmont's 10 suburban high schools stand in great contrast to Ward's current territory. Manhattan schools is diverse and colorful. Ward's 38 high schools include everything from the legendary Stuyvesant, which turns away about 95 percent of its eighth-grade applicants based on a 2 1/2 hour entrance exam, to Park West, which has so many incidents involving guns and violence, it has been dubbed "Dodge City."

Manhattan's Brandeis High School was audited last year when it was revealed that attendance records were paddded with hundreds of phony names to boost school revenues.

A full third of the borough's student population is African-American, with nearly 50 percent from Latino background. Less than 10 percent are Caucasian.

"Mr. Ward was selected from an outstanding field of candidates because of his strong instructional skills and vision, as well as a demonstrated ability to work with members of all communities," Crooks said.

Ward worked as a science teacher in Syracuse, N.Y., before becoming a principal and assistant superintendent. He is the father of two 20-year-old twin daughters and is an avid bird-watcher in his spare time.

**Granger B. Ward**

# Heartland marks 30 years of fighting racism

**By Jason Williams**
*Correspondent*

Heartland Human Relations and Fair Housing Association is marking its 30th anniversary this month, in times that don't seem too different from the racially tense 1960s.

Heartland was founded in La Mesa. The congregation soon became uncomfortable having their place of worship [recognized as housing] an anti-racism group, so at the congregation's request, the group of about 24 people began meeting at member's homes.

The assassination of Martin Luther King Jr. confirmed the infant organization's fears and solidified their belief that something needed to be done. They began by focusing on the problems within their own community.

At the time of Heartland's birth, people of ethnic-minority background were just beginning to move into East County. Troubles included hate crimes against racially mixed couples, such as the repeated burning of one couple's home in Lakeside and slashing of car tires in Santee. East County Jewish families awoke to find their homes adorned in swastikas and a bar in Lakeside was boycotted for hiring a black singer.

In the 1970s, Heartland, itself, became a target for attacks. After received numerous threats and hate mail, the office was firebombed.

"They know who we are, and what we are doing," said Harris of hate groups.

In the face of opposition, Heartland has been able to continue to uphold and practice its guiding ideal: to promote positive attitudes and actions that will insure respect, acceptance and equal opportunity for all people.

Heartland has made available a wide range of services, using education, community, housing and self-sufficiency as guiding lights for their work.

One of the organization's programs focuses on educating young people by providing scholarships for high school seniors, awards to middle schools for human relations projects, support for high school human relations clubs and diversity workshops.

Harris said Heartland is preparing the future generations for a multi-cultural world through these efforts.

Within the community at large Heartland focuses on supporting victims of hate crimes, facilitating conflict resolution and working with tenant-landlord counseling and mediation — going so far as to investigate housing discrimination complaints and conducting fair housing testing.

Emergency services for low-income people is another aspect of Heartland. The agency has helped individuals become self-sufficient through employment and budget counseling.

Heartland's policy setting body is a 15-member board of directors, supported by a staff of 11 people. Volunteers are an invaluable asset to the organization.

Harris insists that the community has made "tremendous progress" over the past 30 years, even though racist leafleting, graffiti and hate crimes plague East County to this day.

"I expect this organization to go on indefinitely, as long as there is a need for it," she said.

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# East County theater groups gear up for new season

**By Jason Williams**

East County's three major theater companies have announced their dramatic offerings for the upcoming season. Some of the plays are tried-and-true hits, some obscure to the average ticketholder, leaving many to ask "why this show?" Out of the hundreds of classic and contemporary shows available — why this one?

***Christian Community Theater*** (CCT), Lamplighters Community Theater and Octad-One Productions represent a diverse spectrum of theatrical genre, individual interests and personal preferences. They use different techniques in deciding their seasons each year: from play reading committees to audience ballots.

Each theater strives to fill its house, keep artistic merit high and find the secret to appealing to younger audiences, in turn creating a new generation of patrons.

CCT Christian Community Theater begins its process early by surveying audience members during the summer season in preparation for the planning that takes place during the fall and winter months. Audience members receive a prepared ballot with suggested shows, which they turn in, giving them a say in what they see the following season.

"We look at audience preferences and what is currently running or being produced," said Lynette Fisk, public relations director for CCT. "We try to make a general mix of appeal between children and adults."

CCT produces at least one show with a primarily adult cast. This helps to create diversity among their productions and allow them to draw their material from different areas and to create variety for their audiences.

Other factors in the decision-making process include who is available to direct, what other theater groups are staging, whether performance rights are available and CCT's seven year rule: no show is done more than once in seven years.

The final contestants for the next season are presented to a 22-member board which voices its opinion. This is then taken into account during the final phase of the decision-making process.

"We have a great big meeting with the artistic and marketing staff where we vote — then Paul decides," said Fisk, referring to Paul Russell, CCT cofounder and frequent director.

Fisk said CCT does not work with a lot of original or experimental theater, commenting on the huge space they have to fill on Mount Helix and the need to make a definite sale of seats.

The only original works they produce are for their children's shows, having only produced one original musical, "Little Women."

"It costs a lot to produce a show," said Fisk. "People see what they like and know. Producing everything on artistic merit would be great."

CCT occasionally receives original works, and Russell is currently working on an original piece, but CCT works nearly entirely with known and popular productions. Their scope is further narrowed by the fact that they produce musicals only.

The musicals are cast with a mix of core actors who return regularly as well as new performers who filter in at every audition. Fisk said the acting pool is diverse and even the core group changes as actors move away, or in many cases grow up with the theater and continue on to college, coming back for the summer.

All auditions are open and there is no pre-casting. CCT works with actors from 16 years old to retirement age individuals, but the turnout depends largely on what show is being produced. Other limitations include people being able to find time for an unpaid commitment which lasts months and requires a high level of dedication.

Approximately 10 percent of CCT's 8,000 - 10,000 seats available per production are season ticket holders. CCT produces three shows a year during their season which runs June through September. The company works during the summer months for two reasons: school is out, and it is warm enough to perform in their open theater on Mount Helix.

This summer will be CCT's twentieth anniversary season. They began in 1980 with "The Sound of Music" and are going to produce the musical again as part of the celebration and in response to the large demand for that show in their latest patron poll.

In addition to "The Sound of Music," CCT will produce "Grease" and "7 Brides for 7 Brothers."

"What amazes me is the huge variety of people that get involved in our shows," said Fisk. "We have lawyers, students, housewives, grandparents and teachers. We are a little community that happens every summer."

**Lamplighters**

***Lamplighters Community Theater*** is currently finishing its 61st season, working out of a theater in La Mesa which was constructed specifically for the company's use in 1957. Before becoming Lamplighters, the company was known as the La Mesa Players.

In the past, Lamplighters has used an audience ballot to help in the decision-making process, but stopped the practice in 1994. Patrons still make suggestions in a less formal manner.

The group now uses a play-reading committee which reads plays that current president Ginger Harris has suggested and ordered, or plays the individual committee members have suggested.

The group of seven readers, composed of both actors and directors, then selects 10 plays that are submitted to the nine-member board for review. The readers select the plays in conjunction with the board during

# Helix Water District votes against fluoridation of public water supply

**By Celeste Merigan**
*News Editor*

LA MESA — At its April 7 meeting, the Helix Water District Board of Directors unanimously voted not to fluoridate the district's water supply because the water it provides is mixed with water from other sources before flowing to customers, thus diluting any fluoride treatment utilized by the district.

In Resolution No. 99-25, regarding fluoridation of drinking water, the district cites five reasons for not approving the addition, including water sources, water users, health issues, water quality and sister agencies' objection.

The blending of water from the Padre Dam and the Otay Water Districts would cause inconsistent dosages of fluoride to Helix customers. The dose necessary to supplement consumer products or prescriptions would then be impossible to determine, the board stated in the resolution adopted at the meeting.

Under health issues, the resolution states, "During its properly noticed meetings on this subject, the Helix Board heard testimony from individuals who suffer from negative physical reactions to fluoride in any amount. Helix does not desire to cause health problems for its water customers who might suffer from these afflictions, especially when fluoride is available as an additive to those desiring it."

The last reason, sister agencies object, stems from the City of La Mesa's resolution opposing fluoridation of Helix's water. "Other cities within Helix jurisdiction could pass similar resolutions," states the document.

On April 6, the Board of Directors for the Lakeside Water District, voted unanimously to pass a resolution to oppose the addition of fluoride to their water system and requested that the Helix Water District ensure, "That every means available and necessary is used to vigorously oppose putting fluoride in the water supply."

General Manager for Helix, Don Kuhl, at the request of the board, sent a letter to the Metropolitan Water District, asking the MWD board of directors to look into fluoridating the water at the regional level.

"Our board asked the state's consultant on fluoridation who was present at the meeting to consider the logic and value of adding fluoride first by Metropolitan Water District to more efficiently initiate fluoridation in our region, as well as other regions served by MWD," Kuhl said.

Helix Water District provides water to approximately 250,000 residents of the East County. Currently, the district is at the top of a California list citing districts that would be most eligible for fluoridation.

In 1995, the state passed a law that requires all water systems with greater than 10,000 connections to fluoridate when there is funding available. Currently, there is no funding available, although agencies like the Dental Health Foundation, the California Fluoridation Task Force and others have raised $10 million for providing the hardware necessary to districts to fluoridate.

Executive Director of the Dental Health Foundation, Dr. Larry Platt said that the money can be allotted to any group, not just districts placed one list by the state.

"Fluoridation reduces the number one pediatric illness in this country, by reducing dental cavities," said Platt. "The state list was developed with the idea of the money going to the more efficient districts. If we chose to give the money to Helix, they would have to do it under the state mandate," he said.

Because the Metropolitan Water District is not a water system, but rather a water wholesaler, it is not effected by the state mandate, although it is available for the funding from the foundation and other sources.

"If the MWD board voted tomorrow to fluoridate its water, it would be wonderful," Platt said, "It would certainly be more efficient." He added that Los Angeles had just voted to fluoridate its water supply.

The Los Angeles Citizens for Safe Drinking Water and eight of its members took legal action in late March to stop the fluoridation of the city's public water supplies.

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# Howard will come back with LAFCO experience

**By Joe Naiman**

Lori Howard's term on the Local Agency Formation Commission board is coming to a close, but the Santee city councilwoman may be utilizing her board experience to represent her city or region before the LAFCO board in the future.

Howard's four years on the board will end June 30, when she will be replaced by Chula Vista City Council representative Patti Davis. The two city representatives on the LAFCO board (a third representative from the San Diego City Council also sits on the LAFCO board) are selected on a rotating basis, and the new members were announced April 5.

Davis will replace Howard, while Lemon Grove Mayor Mary Sessom will replace Chula Vista Mayor Shirley Horton as the alternate member from the cities.

"This has been the nicest group to work with. Very efficient, very effective," said Howard.

Howard feels that Santee and East County interests will still be maintained after she leaves.

"Mary will be great as an alternate and Patti Davis is a wonderful lady from Chula Vista," she said. "They'll be in wonderful hands."

Howard noted that East County representation will also be provided by Dr. Lillian Childs of the Helix Water District and by Dianne Jacob, one of two county supervisors on the board.

"We'll just keep an eye on what's happening, make sure East County comes out on top. What's nice is down the road, since I've had four years of experience, it will be nice to be able to come before the board and know what I'm talking about."

# Monte Vista Monarchs clinch roller hockey title

**By Greg Eichelberger**

The maroon and white-clad athletes of the Monte Vista prep club roller hockey team are in a rut. But it's one in which they would gladly remain after claiming their third consecutive San Diego County championship with a 5-3 victory over Scripps Ranch this month at the Wayne Gretzky Center in San Marcos.

It was a showdown between the two best teams in the area, and one which would have taken place last year until Scripps was upset by La Costa Canyon in the semi-finals.

In addition to the Monarchs latest trophy, it was also a homecoming of sorts to Bob Trelford, the man who guided the team to titles in 1997 and '98.

Trelford, who turned the reins over to his son, Kyle, when he was transferred to Germany last year, was home for two weeks while the squad made their championship run.

"It's great to be back and see them win again," he said. "I'm impressed with their speed and skill. It was a very well-played game on both ends. Fast, physical, but very clean (no fights)."

Joe Norris, an ex-San Diego Gull and former operator of the Parkway Sports Complex in El Cajon, concurred, saying that the two teams showed a lot of class, heart and sportsmanship.

Junior defenseman Josh Evans opened the scoring for the 11-0 Monarchs at 4:57 of the first period, but Brendon Siebert tied it up halfway through the second. Junior forward Andrew Jacobsen gave Monte Vista the lead again two minutes later, and, less than a minute after that, freshman forward Vincent Rappleyea handed them a 3-1 advantage. Scripps Ranch wasn't dead, yet, as Brian Comrie tallied just before the second intermission.

Senior forward Mike Trelford, heir to his father and brother's roller hockey empire, gave MV another two-goal lead mid-way through the third, but Siebert scored again to make it 4-3 at 7:03. Trelford, though, brought the crowd to its feet mid-way through the third period as he went the length of the rink to score on a picture-perfect, unassisted play with minutes left in the game to seal the victory.

The drama wasn't over, however, as two penalties forced Monte Vista to skate shorthanded for the final two minutes. But with senior goalie Anthony Mendeola between the pipes, the Falcons were grounded for good.

"Kyle took them farther that I could have at this point," conceded the elder Trelford. "He's got a lot of talented players and he knows how to use them to their best advantage."

To get to the finals, the Monarchs had to defeat Bonita Vista (18-0), El Capitan (10-3), and Hilltop (7-4).

Later this month they will participate, with dozens of teams from all over the state, in the North American Roller Hockey Championships (NARCh) in Huntington Beach, a tournament they finished third in last year.

After that, Kyle will strap the skates back on as he and his Grossmont/Cuyamaca team qualified for the national collegiate tournament in Chicago.


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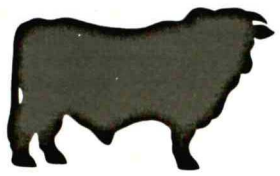

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## GUEST COMMENTARY

# Changes at county pay off for taxpayers

**By Dianne Jacob**
*County supervisor, second district*

Its tax time again — and unpleasant, as usual. But this year there's something positive. This year, San Diego County government is spending $105 million less than last year. Successful welfare-to-work efforts in the last five years have moved 28,000 families from welfare to work, saving taxpayers approximately $440 million. Businesses throughout the region have benefited from the elimination of unnecessary regulations and more than $4 million in fees, including the elimination of the county's business license tax. And, by establishing healthy budget reserves, the county's bond rating was increased to an A+. For taxpayers, the A+ rating alone means savings of at least $3 million annually.

In addition, the county is leading the nation in our managed competition and restructuring programs designed to stress efficiency and high quality services to the taxpayers who pay the bills. So far, more than $34 million has been cut from bureaucratic overheads and inefficiencies and moved to provide more and better front-line services for you.

■ In one of the most impressive reorganizations, the Health and Human Services Agency *initiated the "Project Synergy" which slashes* overhead expenses of $21 million annually by consolidating a number of county functions. These savings will be used to expand services to abused and neglected children, increase access to immunizations for children and expand access to mental health care for children who are wards of the court or dependents of the count, such as foster children.

■ The Department of Public Works, which oversees infrastructure functions, has also cut costs — to the tune of more than $3.2 million annually. And, taxpayers get the direct benefit in the form of more than $2.1 million in new road, bridge and flood control projects, as well as $1.1 million to stabilize sewer rates. When the City of San Diego Metropolitan Sewer System (Metro), which is responsible for sewer service in the region, started charging customers more, residents of the unincorporated areas of the county didn't feel the crunch. Instead, innovative restructuring in the Department of Public Works allowed for Metro's increases to be offset — without passing along fees increases to residents.

■ As part of the county's innovative managed competition program, many functions of county government were opened to competition from the private sector. In some cases, county employees developed the most cost-effective way to provide services. However, many times, the private sector can do it better, cheaper and more efficiently. An example is providing health care in county probation facilities. By privatizing this function, almost $800,000 each year is freed to be put back in the county's general fund to be used for other county services such as our nationally-recognized Critical Hours after-school program.

■ In another managed competition, the maintenance of the county's fleet of vehicles was opened up to competition with the private sector. With about 3,200 vehicles, such as sheriff's patrol cars, and park ranger trucks, managing the county's fleet is a major undertaking. In this case, the county's own employees won the competition, proving that county employees can do the job better, cheaper and faster. This restructuring included a consolidation of garage locations and a reduction in middle managers. The $1 million in cuts created by the restructuring of fleet maintenance will be used to reduce future costs to taxpayers by bolstering the internal service fund, a revolving savings account for vehicle repairs and replacements, and decrease costs of fleet service functions paid by other county departments, allowing more of their budgets to be used for front-line services.

■ The Department of General Services, which oversees functions such as facility maintenance and new building construction, has also cut costs — to the tune of more than $2 million annually. The department is considered a "service department" in that it provides services to other county departments, like parks and libraries. By aggressively restructuring administration, streamlining management and reducing bloated overheads, the department has reduced costs.

■ A $2 million restructuring of the county's probation department resulted in the elimination of 28 middle and senior manager, saving enough money to put 55 probation officers on the streets to supervise juvenile probationers. Not only does this mean improved safety for the public, but the feat was accomplished without using any additional dollars.

■ This reengineering effort in the environmental health department creates an overhead savings of $1.3 million each year to be reinvested in better services to taxpayers. The streamlined organization now has significantly fewer management positions and empowers other county employees to make more decisions; that means a faster response time to customers.

In conclusion, your county government is operating cheaper, better and faster than ever before. As taxpayers, you can be confident that these cost savings will continue. Not only is it a better deal for taxpayers, it is great news — especially at tax time!

## PG PERSPECTIVES

# A brave soul does a great service

**By Phillip Giannangeli**

Some brave soul has done all of us a very great service. He or she has discovered that sprouts are (perhaps CAN BE is more scientific) harmful. Yes! Finally!

All along, I suspected that the disgusting hairy stuff health fascists were trying to force down our throats might actually be very bad for us. Now it's been reported (TIME Magazine, Jan. 25) that sprouts could allow bacteria to hide in the "tiny crevices in the seeds. The most susceptible to getting sick: the very young, the elderly and folks with weak immune systems."

I would add to the list of susceptibility anyone who comes within spitting distance of the stuff. Bacteria and sprouts in the same sentence. Ah, life is good.

As far as I'm concerned, the whole sprout thing has been one huge bacteria all along, but we're just getting the word now. And that, of course, leads me to other matters that are known in some circles but to which we have not yet been made privy. Important discoveries that have not hit the digestive tracts of the news media yet.

Some day these currently secret revelations will become public knowledge but for now, I must rely on my friend Brentworth for information about what's going on. You remember Brentworth, don't you? He's the guy who's always giving me insider stuff. The disclosures Brentworth leaked to me this time are going to knock your socks off.

First off, all America is going to get a major shock when it's announced that Oprah has bought a huge cattle ranch in Texas. After her last adventure there, some thought Oprah would never ever visit or mention Texas again. Her recent land purchase there, however, could be her ultimate revenge.

Brentworth said he actually heard Oprah muttering something about showing those pointy toed, cow-herding yokels that it wasn't a good idea to mess around with The OP when it comes to trials, subpoenas and a non-hamburger eating policy. According to Brentworth, Oprah plans to buy up every beef cow in the state of Texas and then refuse to sell any of them to burger conglomerates.

In the process, it is believed she plans to create a whole new breed of Texan: all hat, no cows. Now there's a story I bet you didn't know would be coming your way soon. You can thank Brentworth for that.

Brentworth clued me into another story that's hiding out. It's one involving Libby Dole. Nothing to do with her presidential run. Brentworth said he heard she is about to reveal that until Bob got a hold of Viagra, intimacy was not high on the Dole agenda. Things were so bad, she apparently had this reoccurring dream in which Dan Quayle, in his birthday suit, was crowned spelling bee champion after vanquishing a legion of potatoe-like creatures chasing him all around the stage.

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## THE BRIGHTER VIEW

# Frequently asked questions (FAQs)

**By Steven Saint**

Since the sale of Forum Publications to Jay and Teresa Harn and East County Community Newspapers, Inc., I have been asked lots of questions by readers, subscribers, elected officials and story scouts from Jenny Jones. Perhaps the best way to get all these answered is the following "Frequently Asked Questions" (FAQs), not to be found on any Web site whatsoever.

1. I heard you sold the papers. Is this good news?

It's real good news for me. I had been publishing six papers twice a week for four years. This involved quite a lot of work that had more to do with business, paperwork and computer graphics than journalism. It also involved staying up all night once a week for four years. Last fall, I developed a painful sinus condition which I still can't seem to shake.

The Harns were interested in acquiring our papers at the very time we were interested in getting out from under them. I'm very happy about the prospect of getting my life back. As for whether this was all good news financially, I must say that we had very little equity in the papers, and did not profit from the sale (so don't expect me to pick up the tab when we go to lunch, OK?)

2. Why is the paper so small now?

The format has been changed to what they call a "short tabloid." This means the page is about three inches shorter. However, the papers now have 12 pages (minimum), so there's really the same amount, if not more, news in them.

3. It seems like there are more stories from other parts of East County than from my community. What's up with that?

It comes down to the mathematics of page count. The old Forum format was an eight-page tabloid with four "community-specific" pages and four "generic" pages. It would have been impossible to produce eight community pages for each of the six papers, so we settled for 50 percent. Since the page count is now at 12, the current formula is four community-specific pages and eight generic ones (33 percent). We still have all the community news in there, it just seems different because we've added more general stuff.

4. Are all my favorite Forum writers staying around?

You're going to have to ask them individually. Not everyone is happy with the changes. The new publisher is a traditional, hard news kind of guy who wants shorter stories. This is more in keeping with the kind of papers Pete Kaufman and Max Goodwin produced than my "alternative weekly/news magazine" type of thing. You won't see 2,000-word stories taking up the whole front page and most of the doubletruck any more.

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# View

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5. How do I get a hold of you now? Our decades-faithful old phone number could not be transfered to our new office in Santee. The new office number is 448-8989. My direct line remains 462-8485 and my e-mail is ssaint@adnc.com. I also recommend you get a hold of the new publisher, Jay Harn. He's very anxious to know what you want in the papers and will be happy to receive your feedback. His number is 445-3288 or e-mail him at jayharn@adnc.com.

# Perspectives

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the stage.

Confidants of Mrs. Dole told Brentworth that she said that during those difficult times, it was all she could do to venture into the kitchen. Brentworth also heard a rumor regarding a little known side of Tipper Gore that will be revealed soon. According to Brentworth, the story is that Tipper Gore suffered from uncontrollable bouts of giddiness when she was a young girl. She'd experience outrageous episodes of laughter and giggles. This malady followed her into high school and on to college.

*It wasn't until she met* and started dating Al Gore that this affliction begin to abate. At first, she thought he was just a charming, albeit not too exciting, good old boy. But when Al got serious and started telling her all the things he had done and was responsible for in the area of technology, she stopped laughing altogether.

Hasn't had a good giggle since her days with Al started. Brentworth said he thought Barbara Walters has sewed up the interview on this Tipper tidbit and it'll probably come out sometime in the fall.

Brentworth is also tuned into the scientific community and has highly placed sources there as well. He knew about the sprout thing way before it became public. He told me to look out for some other forthcoming scientific news that will unsettle lots of folks: carrots are the leading cause of degenerative eye problems and stuttering. He also said a study is about to be released that will show pagers and cell phones may lead to impotence. Talk about a widespread disconnect.

Finally, Brentworth also said that there are rumors about some top secret government research going on somewhere in the wilds of Montana. Scientists there are studying a possible link between a potent new virus and over exposure to "Entertainment Tonight."

I wonder, were those sprouts I saw between Mary Hart's teeth the other night?

# Jacob, fire chiefs to study safety funding

**By Joe Naiman**
*Correspondent*

Some fire departments consider themselves more underfunded than others, and the Local Agency Formation Commission formed a Task Force on Fire Protection Services Funding.

Members of the task force include fire chiefs Kevin Eggleston of the San Miguel Consolidated Fire Protection District, Dan Mckenna of the San Diego Rural Fire Protection District and Darrell Jobes of the East County Fire Protection District.

John Ing of the Campo Fire Department is also on the task force. Other East County personnel include Kelly Zombro, a battalion chief for the California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection, Andy Menshek, a San Miguel firefighter, and Supervisor Dianne Jacob.

Jacob will chair the task force, which grew from a Feb. 1 LAFCO board meeting, when the agency accepted the final report of a LAFCO Fire Protection Service Funding Study.

That study found inequities in the way fire protection service agencies were funded in San Diego County, and the LAFCO board unanimously supported Jacob's recommendation to establish a task force to implement and monitor strategies to enhance revenues.

A significant part of the problem stems from the state's allocation of revenues. Prior to 1978, fire protection agencies relied upon property tax as their principal source of revenue.

After Proposition 13 reduced taxes, the allocation formula was changed. Agencies which had imposed a property tax still received a portion of property tax revenues while agencies which had not received a tax were not allocated any revenues.

"Local government was essentially penalized for having a frugal or cost-conscious attitude towards taxes," said Mike Ott, the executive director of LAFCO.

Fire districts which were formed after 1978 are not allowed to share in the 1 percent base property tax, and when fire districts annex unserved territory the districts do not receive any additional revenue for those parcels. It has been the practice of the County of San Diego to negotiate an additional tax increment (ATI) transfer following the annexation of previously unserved territories. The amount ranges between 2 percent and 8 percent, with the majority of the negotiated transfer payments on the lower end.

The state's Education Revenue Augmentation Fund of 1992, which shifted approximately $3.6 billion of property tax revenues away from counties, cities, special districts, and redevelopment agencies in order to fund schools, hit special districts hard. In San Diego County the loss to ERAF was over $3 million in 1992. "They stole the money and nothing came back," said Jacob.

"Fire districts have received nothing."

While volunteer fire departments do not have salaries, they are perhaps hardest hit by expenses. The typical equipment to protect a firefighter costs $5,361. A larger service area requires more fuel for trucks.

The budget of the Mount Laguna fire department is $14,000 a year; their most recent vehicle purchase, for $1, was a fire trick deemed too old for use by the San Miguel Consolidated Fire Protection District. The equipment at the Campo Fire Department, which has an annual budget of $17,000, was out of service during the LAFCO meeting in February.

Another issue facing small fire departments is that firefighting now only accounts for a minority of calls while over 2/3 of their incidents involve emergency medical aid.

For large departments those calls usually involve residents; for backcountry agencies medical aid is often rendered to those who were traveling through. That can stress the budget of an agency such as the Mount Laguna fire department area, whose residents number in the double digits.

"How much do you have to tax them to support one to two million visitors a year?" asked Gil Turrentine, the chief of the San Pasqual Volunteer Fire Department and representative for Zone 8.

"This is not just an issue for those unincorporated communities," Jacob stated of the visitors, many of whom are from incorporated cities. "This is a regional problem and a regional issue."

Part of the focus also involved funding to cover costs of annexing unserved territories. The total population of the unserved areas has risen from 12,708 in 1990 to 15,272 in 1997 with an increase in housing units from 4,905 to 5,817 during that time.

"The problem is the uncovered areas, according to SANDAG figures, are going to increase quite substantially," said Ott. A number of solutions to enhance fire protection services have been proposed. Tax increases are one option, review of development in unserved areas may contribute to some of the solution, restructuring has been discussed, transfers of revenues from the county to fire protection districts may be amenable to all parties, and lobbying for changes in the state allocation process has been a popular suggestion.

"Schools did it at the state level with Proposition 98," remarked Jacob. "I think the time is right to put something together."

Many fire department personnel are eyeing Proposition 172, the half-cent sales tax increase passed by the state's voters in Nov. 1993.


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## B WORDS

# Viva Wal-Mart

**By Bob Burns**

It is being bemoaned that economic desolation will be what once was our business district. This will occur as a result of the millennium-opening of Wal-Mart in the College Grove Center. Grass will grow in the streets and our local business majority will be bedraggled persons sitting around town with tin cups. Tax revenues will plummet and pencil sales will top the list of salable merchandise in the city.
NOT IF I SAY ! ! ! ! ! !

With the opening of Home Depot, Food 4 less, the new Lucky store and Rite Aid, we have not had such disaster. The only victim was our local hardware store, which clung to the old-fashioned way of doing business and just gave up.

Does anyone remember how the grocery store used to be? One stood at the counter and named items which were then retrieved by the clerk and placed before the customer. That kind of merchandising was wonderfully friendly, but very inefficient.

It is a well-known fact that grouping together businesses *will* benefit all of them. Wal-Mart will bring millions of new customers to the Lemon Grove area and the whole town will benefit from business increase.

Our services, food, automotive, banks and even veterinarians will be more visible and, thereby, utilized as time goes on. In patronizing one store, we very often discover another of our needs and become new customers as a result.

I well recall when I opened my pet hospital here back in 1955, that Dr. Frank McKenney was very unhappy with me coming into competition with him. We did become fast friends and found that, as the many new veterinary practices sprang up around us, it was not bad for our business. In fact, as with other businesses, the mere presence of competition stimulates the participation in that enterprise.

Lemon Grove will definitely benefit from Wal-Mart being in our area and finally the College Grove (or "Grave," as some call it) Shopping Center will have renewed vigor and succeed, as will we all.

I once proposed that the city of Lemon Grove annex the then-shopping center. I was certain that just by beefing up the security, it could again be a safe and enjoyable place to shop. In my opinion, the last remodel of the place was great except that they did little to make it safe and secure for people to go there.

Our annexation was not possible for various reasons, I found out, but I'll bet anyone a patty melt at the Food Factory that Wal-Mart will do a great job of curing that ill. So ... for the wags at the Tonsorial Parlor and anywhere else pessimism regarding Wal-Mart abides ... have no fear. Maybe our city fathers and mothers will bring a movie theater to our town and then everything will be, not the same , but better ...

## Octad presents 'Dresser'

LAKESIDE—Octad-One Productions is presenting *The Dresser* by Ronald Harwood through May 16 at the Octad-One Playhouse, 10009 Maine Ave. in Lakeside. Director Wayne Alan Erreca describes the play as an "enthralling, funny and touching" drama. Show times are at 8 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays and 2 p.m. on Sundays. Tickets are $10 for general admission and $9 for students, seniors and military. Group rates are available for 20 or more. For reservations and further information, call 561-9823.

## Routine traffic stop yields 170 pounds of marijuana

DESCANSO — A California Highway Patrol officer made a routine traffic stop Saturday, April 8, and later discovered the vehicle he had impounded contained 170 pounds of marijuana in hidden compartments throughout the vehicle.

The officer pulled over the 1987 Pontiac 6000 at about 9:20 a.m. because the vehicle had no rear plates, said a CHP spokesman. The arresting officer reported a strong smell of marijuana in the vehicle, which was impounded immediately.

The 170.5 pounds of drugs was discovered at the impound yard during an inventory search, the spokesman said.

Arrested in the case was Raul Vega Mejia Jr., age 26, of Calexico.

## CRIME LOG

March 5, 1999
3100 blk. Lemon Grove Ave. Vehicle burglary.
7500 blk. Broadway. Stolen vehicle.

3500 blk. Columbus. Stolen vehicle.
7400 blk. Daytona. Residential burglary.
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# County offers 10 bus tips for parents

SAN DIEGO — The County Transit System urges parents of children who ride public transit buses to help protect their youngsters by impressing on them the following 10 safety rules:

1. Have your child sit near the front of the bus, as close to the driver as possible.
2. Sit in the aisle seat, not the window seat.
3. Sit where you can see the driver in the mirror; if you can see the driver, he/she can see you.
4. Tell the driver if anything "weird" happens.
5. Parents should know the route and the expected times of departure and arrival.
6. Children should use the buddy system; ride with a friend.
7. If someone acts inappropriately, yell "Stop," and tell the driver.
8. Never let children wait alone at bus stops.
9. Once a child leaves the bus, he or she should go immediately to destination (school, store, etc.).
10. Be alert; don't sleep or horse around with friends.

## *First aid, CPR class offered April 21 in La Mesa*

LA MESA — The Holiday Inn Express in La Mesa will offer a class in first aid and CPR from 6 to 9 p.m., Wednesday, April 21. Graduates will be eligible for a certificate.

There is a fee for the class.

For further information and to register, one may call Carlette Anderson at 445-4569.

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# LETTERS

## Books...

**Editor:**

As Mayor Sessom implied in a recent column, reports of the death of books are greatly exaggerated ["M is for Mayor," March 18 issue]. The local library remains a powerful dispenser of knowledge for all age groups in any community. A belief that the Internet will make books obsolete is yet unfounded; indeed, such an either-or attitude overlooks one of the most interesting questions of the age— how to mesh traditional library functions with cyberspace and continue what Benjamin Franklin began when he formed the first lending library as a source of the "tools of wisdom."

Two centuries later, we are still walking into Ben's libraries to browse the stacks, read a newspaper, attend a lecture, or do research on the Internet. The price of admission is our willingness to discover and learn. And libraries are evolving dramatically. Not simply passive mausoleums, they are active catalysts for civilization, striving within stringent budgets to incorporate modern technologies into their services. Witness the Lemon Grove Library's free lessons, conducted by a volunteer, in how to use the Internet.

In 1472, the library at Queens' College, Cambridge, England had 199 books. There were people, then, who plausibly could claim to have read every book written. Today, more than 50,000 books are published annually in America alone. Globally, the number of published journals is estimated at 400,000. Soon every home will have access to hundreds of television channels. The World Wide Web now has millions of sites. Governments and institutions are coping with a deluge of books, journals, tapes, legal records, documents, electronic mail and torrents of raw data, all intended for storage and preservation.

Today, unlike 1472, no one can read everything; no one can process the ocean of information. Learning, after all, involves "discovery by serendipity" — a lovely phrases from Tom Mann, the reference librarian at the Library of Congress, that exactly describes how children learn and, indeed, how we all go on learning through life. Planned and accidental discoveries through reading combine to unlock our reservoirs of understanding and curiosity. This magical process starts the day we hold an open book in our hands and begin at the beginning to discover its contents.

Library-wise, Lemon Grove is fortunate on six counts. A generous benefactor, Dan Thren, has bequeathed to us a half-million dollars for a library; Lemon Like, the groundbreaking program in our school district that will be incorporated into a new library, aims to further literacy and help youngsters tap the riches of the Internet; the indefatigable Friends of the Lemon Grove Library whose monthly book sales are a serendipitous delight; a mayor and council majority eager to improve the quality of life in our city;a fine head librarian and staff; and, not least, a reading publics.

We close by beginning, "Once upon a time there was a small town with lemon trees in its yards and a wonderful library in its center...."

**Helen M. Ofield**
**Lemon Grove**

## Grand affair...

**Editor:**

You missed a grand affair if you weren't at the celebration marking the opening of the fifth Little League baseball field in Lemon Grove near Monterey Heights Elementary School on Saturday morning April 13th.

The new field is for the use of older Little Leaguers and was built with volunteer work by area parents and other generous hearted workers. It was estimated to cost about $75,000 if built by contractors, but cost about S15,000 which was donated by the family, friends and Little League volunteers. The Little League is looking for another $20,000 to complete the field with bleachers and grass.

Festivities started with a pancake breakfast with Councilman Craig Lake and League President Roger Pacheco working along side of other volunteers, flapping jacks, cooking sausage and mixing pancake batter for three hours to serve a hungry crowd of about 500 Little Leaguers and aspirants and 1,000 adults before the ribbon cutting by Mayor Mary Sessom. Councilman Tom Clabby also attended as another representative of the City Council.

After a "strike"-across-the-plate by Lake and a brief "thank you for coming" from the mayor, Councilman Lake brought the crowd to a screaming frenzy when, in his speech of welcome, he requested the crowd to "seat yourselves in the bleachers" then, as they looked around for bleachers. "Oh! I'm sorry. There are no bleachers:" "OK, then seat yourselves on the grass. Whoops! There is no grass."

In that case, he said, "since you've done so. well on your own I promise to help you with some of the needed $20,000. I will request of my colleagues on the Council that the City of Lemon Grove grant the Little League $10,000 to match $10,000 you will raise ...You had to be there!

It is interesting to know that the great flat field they created was once a canyon and they filled it with dirt salvaged from the builders who dug the huge 12-foot water tunnel under the city.

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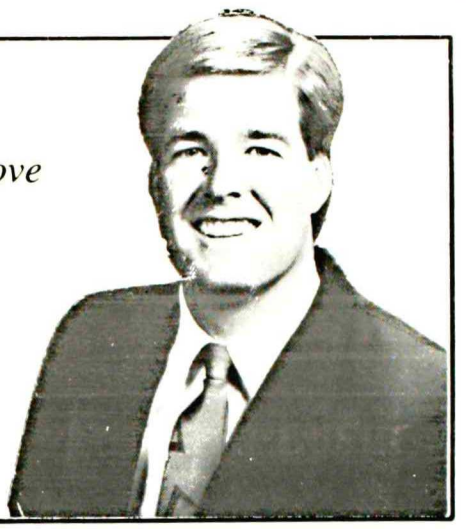

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**SUMMARY OF AN URGENCY ORDINANCE ADDING SECTION 1812.030Q TO THE LEMON GROVE DEVELOPMENT CODE ORDINANCE NO. 292**

On April 6, 1999, the City Council of the City of Lemon Grove, California adopted Urgency Ordinance No. 292. Ordinance No. 292 amends the Sign Ordinance to provide that permitted sign area may be utilized for non-commercial messages.

Voting for: Sessom, Lake, Clabby, Greer and Shelles

The full text of said Ordinance is on file in the Office of the City Clerk at 3232 Main Street, Lemon Grove, California 91945.

CHRISTINE TAUB
FINANCE DIRECTOR/CITY CLERK

Lemon Grove Review
April 15, 1999

## Autos

**ATV/DUNBUGGY TOY HOUSE** conversion trailer. Dual axle trailer, 25'. Excellent conversion to ATV or Dunebuggy Toy House trailer. Incredible bargain; as is price of $750. Will deliver. 24928 Viejas Blvd., Descanso. 619-445-3997[W]

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## Auctions

**IMPORTANT**

**ANTIQUES AND ESTATES**

**AUCTION**

**SAT., APRIL 17th @ 10:00am**

**Preview starts at 8:00am**

**ALPINE, CA.**

For security and protection from weather we are moving both estates to: **LOCATED:** 1830 ALPINE BLVD., ALPINE, CA. Out of town? Exit I-8 at Tavern Rd., Alpine. Then South to 1st signal (Alpine Blvd.) Then left to 4th driveway on left.

**PARTIAL LISTING:** Fabulous Antique 19th Century Furniture such as: Large heavy carved oak 2 pc. cabinet supported by carved "atlas" figures! Victorian highly carved marble top sideboard. Carved hall stand with ornate brass hooks! Heavy carved gothic oak 2 pc. cabinet with provenance on listed artist!

**COLLECTABLES:** Several Hummell figurines! Howard Miller grand father clock with moon dial, 3 weights, and large pendulum (Westminster chimes)! Several pieces of Carnival glass! "Rembrandt 19th century engravings with Dutch provenance, beveled glass, large wall mirror in ornate frame, oil on canvas paintings with very nice frames; large and small! Hand carved jewelry box! Gold over silver egg shaped jewelry box! Leaded art glass shade on bronze base with dragon pattern! Cut glass compote, bowls, and vases. Puffy style reverse painted shade on silver lamp base! Cut glass lamp with hand cut prisms! Porcelain hand decorated tea set, 3 pc. Dore' and onyx fancy clock set adorned with cherubs! Like new round oak clawfoot pedestal table and 6 double pattern back chairs! Fantastic hand carved 4 poster canopy bed (king), pr. bedside cabinets, Chippendale chest on chest, carved armoire! Hand carved ornate console table, matching fancy mirror, orient porcelain planter, walking canes! Bronze candleobra with double cherubs! French bombe'' inlaid marble top commode with ormolu, china cabinet with-ormolu and inlay, and Ewewood inlaid desk with ormolu! Ornate marble top inlaid pedestals! Gilded French upholstered Louis XV style salon suite! Gilded lamp tables! Bronze figural glass top coffee table! Chippendale carved desk! Ladies escoitair with claw-ball feet! Fabulous 2 pc. china buffet with astrogal doors and claw-ball feet. Impressive mahogany Chippendale dining table with 10 fancy carved Chippendale chairs! Matching accent pieces such as; Lowboy, console, mirror back china, tall fernstands, wall cabinets, buffet, and more! Cut glass center piece, Rams Head silver over bronze center piece with crystal insert! Lapis in lade world globe with other gemstones inlaid such as turquoise for U.S. mother of pearl from Russia, etc. (all gemstone)! Mahogany French Rococo style fancy carved bed, bedside cabinets, vanity, window bench, bed end bench, and etc! Ladies french bath bureau platte, swan carved painting, couch, M.T. lamp table and more! Several handmade area rugs, large room size rugs, and runner! Cameo glass "Tip" marked and signed "Gale"! (several pcs.)

**COWBOY-INDIAN-WILD WEST:** Several antique trade guns, shotguns, etc. Lot of beadwork on leather items, plus Lance, Peace pipe, bow and quiver, moccasins, and ceremonial items! Handwoven Navajo rugs (some with provenance)! Hand made sterling jewelry set with turquoise and other gemstone by Navajo. Zuni, and Navajo kachina dolls! Navajo, Acoma, Casas Grande, and San Ildefonso pottery (some black, some carved and decorated)! Hand cuffs, legirons (Yuma T.P.) badges (sheriff, marshal, police, etc.)! Holsters and movie prop western pistols! Framed artifacts! After Frederic Remington bronze sculpture entitled "Coming Thru The Rye" (4 horsemen with pistols drawn), also Mountain Man, Bronco Buster, Cowboy, Cheyenne, and more! After C.M. Russell bronze sculpture depicting "Stagecoach" pulled by 6 horses with lots of detail! Limited Edition bronze grouping of dolphins by Chope'! Polo players by Chope' and more!

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# SPORTS

## Greeting Sports fans....

### Sports Beat
By Greg Eichelberger

Hello again and welcome to "Wide World Of (Local) Sports," where the thrill of victory certainly wasn't with the Padres, at least during most of their swing through Candlestick Park last weekend. Yes, during the first two games it may have looked like defeat, it may have sounded like defeat, it may even have smelled like defeat, but the Padres did manage to cruise in the third contest, 11-1, handing the Giants their first loss of the season. Those hoping for a Friars repeat had better heed both San Francisco and Los Angeles, two teams that have a combined record of 10-2, at least as of last Saturday.

Now that spring break is over, schools can start resuming regular league play and forego those the endless tournaments. You would think that this would result in clear lines being drawn between the haves and the have-no-chances. It's true, but not in prep baseball this season, so far. The standings in the Grossmont North League, again as of last weekend, are as follows; El Cap (6-6 overall), West Hills (8-5-1), Santana (7-5), Grossmont (6-6), and El Cajon Valley (5-6). Two teams at .500, two barely above, and one below.

The South League line-up is just as crowded, with Monte Vista and Helix at 14-2 and 12-4, respectively, and Valhalla, Granite Hills and Mount Miguel right behind with nine wins apiece. This translates into one thing — it's ANYBODY'S conference, and the play should be quite exciting from here on in, like Santana's rout of Mt. Miguel or Helix's win over West Hills last Friday. And I haven't even touched on gymnastics, tennis, swimming and diving, water polo, lacrosse, boys' volleyball, girls' softball, or any of the other spring sports.

Congratulations to Autumn Moody (El Capitan) and Kristen Tucker (Monte Vista) for being finalists for the 1999 California Interscholastic Federation's Sportsman/Citizen of the Year awards. Moody, a four-year varsity soccer and tennis player, as well as a two-year track and field participant, has been given the Grossmont Player of the Year honors in tennis and the ASB Commissioner of Publicity and a D.A.R.E. spokesman. "She is highly self-motivated, a natural leader, respectful and respected, she's humble and encourages all people around her to do their best," said Vaquero athletic director Richard Wilkins. Tucker, on the other hand, is a three-time MVP in track and field (relays), and served as a captain on her Monarchs basketball team. In addition she has been on the honor for four years and has earned All-Academic League selections on two separate occasions. Monte Vista Principal Barbara Nowak said of her, "Kristen is the catalyst which ignites her teammates to play with energy, competitive spirit and good sportsmanship."

The 1999 All-CIF wrestling teams have been chosen, with David Lopez, Bradley Pavlic, Gregg Herrington (Valhalla), Randy Blackwood (West Hills), and Kalvin Barrett (Monte Vista) making the first squad, while Nick Osnaya (Monte Vista) and Paul Acosta (Valhalla) earned spots on the second. In addition to the two grapplers honored from their school, the Monarchs were also the Division II champions for the year.

Speaking of exciting play, the San Diego Gulls have jumped out to a two-games-to-none lead on Fresno in the best-of-five semi-finals of the Taylor Cup championship, and are on course to claim their fourth straight crown. Defenseman Brett Larson, a resident of El Cajon, said this team may be the strongest yet of the three previous West Coast Hockey League champs. "We're real tough on defense, offense and (goalie) Sergei (Naumov) is getting stronger each game," said the Duluth, Minn. native. "I don't like to predict anything, but I think our chances are very god going into the finals."

If they do get by the Falcons, the Gulls will open up the final around against Tacoma on the road, but that's OK, while San Diego has never won a title at home, they have also never been extended past a fifth game. If that holds true this year, they will finally clinch it in front of thousands of loyal fans.

A "Run For The Arts" event will take place at Lindo Lake in Lakeside on April 24 from 9 a.m.-1 p.m. With warm-up exercises from Wendy's Fitness, and a "fun run/walk" scheduled, it should be a lot of fun, unless you're just not into the whole marathon thing. Information can be gathered by calling 390-2600.

This may be the last of the great sports opinion columns done on a weekly basis by someone who REALLY knows the subject, so climb on board and help us out. Submit your information to me at 390-2975 (or E-mail ikeforum@juno.com) and see it in print the very next week (give or take seven or more days). Until then, have a great sports week.

## Broken manifold doesn't stop Carpenter

**By Joe Naiman**

Doug Carpenter won the first Cajon Speedway main event of the 1999 season when he took the Street Stocks race with a time of 34:51.88. The time for the 25-lap numerous stoppages. Carpenter's car kept on going - despite a broken exhaust manifold on the sixth lap.

"I was worried. I thought probably they'd give me a black even though I was leading," Carpenter said. "I thought Danny [Gay] would get by me. I thought I was going to lose power."

The dragging manifold put sparks on the track, but officials didn't issue the black flag with white strips, which tells a driver to go to the pits due to mechanical problems. Nor did the dragging provide Danny Gay a sufficient opportunity to pass Carpenter for the lead. Fortunately the $325 prize money given for first place in a Street Stocks main event will be enough to buy another manifold, along with one or maybe even two tires.

Carpenter knew that his manifold was cracked prior to the race, but he needed to get as much use out of it as possible. "I've got to run everything before they go," he said. "Now that I've got money, I'll fix that."

Because the track has an 11 p.m. curfew and had three other races following the Street Stocks, officials started counting yellow flag laps after the 12th lap of the Street Stocks race. Since there is no passing under a yellow flag, this allowed Carpenter to maintain the lead, and as the leader he was allowed to set the pace. He chose a faster pace to run off more laps.

"I pushed up to about 1,000 r.p.m. when they counted yellows," he said. "I figured that would be the only way I had a chance." Carpenter has lived in La Mesa for the past 10 years and started racing nearly 15 years ago. His racing has attracted the Sycuan Casino as a sponsor as well as David Ortiz Bail Bonds and Pat's Tools. Carpenter had started race in the tenth position.

"We needed that win," he said. "That helps keep the team going."

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# WEEKENDER

# 'The Dresser' A perfect fit for Octad-One

**By Diana Saenger**

Powerful energy and immense talent unfold on the stage of the Lakeside Theater in Octad-One's current production of *The Dresser*. Set in the 1942 war-torn English provinces, the story centers on a cast of theater performers, mainly the lead actor Sir (Fred Bailey) and Norman (John Martin) his dresser.

Sir is aging and borders between confusion and chaos. Hurrying from the hospital to the theater for his 228th performance of King Lear, he's met by his wife and fellow cast member Her Ladyship (Suzanne Dean), who fears for her husband's health and wishes him to retire. But at the urging of Norman, who has been at Sir's side for 20 years and knows the man better than himself, Sir unwillingly agrees to go on.

Sir's and Norman's preparation for the show is as explosive as the bombs that realistically shake the clever stage setting of the play. Bailey, an Aubrey and Easty award winner and veteran of many plays, has magnificent presence as the fatigued stage actor consumed with grief over his failing health. Added to his plight is his unfinished book of memoirs and the realization that he has only a handful of press clippings to show for his years of toil and dedication to the stage: "An actor only lives in the memory of others," he says.

Equally strong, Martin gathers all his talent from his stage and TV roles and delivers a brilliant performance. With superb mannerisms, as clever as the crook of his little finger, he manipulates the other cast members, Madge (Teresa Henning), Mr. Oxenby (Max Macke), Geoffrey (William Savage), and Irene (Tiffany Cole), into when and for how long they can see Sir. To control Sir's thinking, Norman constantly reveals traits about "his friend who once...." Sir's mood swings, from his dependence on Norman to his chastising, "Don't get above yourself," are part of the love\hate seesaw so cleverly bared by the experienced hand of artistic Octad director, Wayne Alan Erreca.

The incredible, high-caliber performances by Bailey and Martin, do the Octad and the East County proud. Do not miss this play.

*The Dresser*, Octad-One Productions, 10009 Maine Ave. Lakeside, now - May 16, 561-9823.

## COMING SOON...

***Your weekly guide to area entertainment and events***

**Octad-One presents *The Dresser*, by Ronald Harwood, a funny and** touching drama directed by Wayne Alan Erreca. April 9-May 16, **The Octad-One Playhouse**, 10009 Maine Ave. Lakeside, 561-9823.

**East County Performing Arts Center** presents "Radio Days," April 16, 7:30 p.m. **210 East Main St., El Cajon**, 440-2277.

**Lakeside Western Days Community Fair,** in conjunction with the Chamber of Commerce's Western Days parade and the Lakeside Rodeo, will feature bands, food and entertainment, April 17, **Lindo Lake Park, 443-6033.**

**The San Diego Junior Theater** presents the whimsical comedy *Annie Warbucks*, April 16-May 2, **Casa Del Prado Theater**, Balboa Park, 239-8355.

"WWII Through Russian Eyes," at the **Municipal Gym and Exhibit Hall in Balboa Park**, now-July 4, 239-4859.

**UCSD San Diego International Film Festival**, now-June 4, 25 films, 534-0479.

**Bill Silva Productions** presents N-Sync, April 15, **Cox Arena**; Jeff Beck, April 16, **SDSU**; Korn, April 17, **Cox Arena**. 220-TIXS.

**Lamb's Players Theatre** presents *Busman's Honeymoon*, a classic mystery, April 16-May 23, 1142 Orange Ave., Coronado, 437-0600.

**San Diego Symphony** presents Andrea Bocelli in concert, April 15, **Sports Arena**, 220-TIXS.

**San Diego Museum of Man** presents "Conversations in Culture: Southwest Indians Sharing Their Heritage," April 17, 8 a.m.-1 p.m. San Diego Museum of Man, Balboa Park. 239-2001.

**Coors Amphitheatre** presents "The Black Crowes and Everlast," April 26.; John Mellencamp, May 9. **Coors Amphitheatre, Chula Vista**, 220-TIXS.

# 'Cookies Fortune'

## *Movie foresees fun and laughs*

**By Diana Saenger**
*Weekender Editor*

Robert Altman films usually have an eclectic following, but this time he delivers a jewel that anyone can enjoy. Glenn Close is absolutely diverting in this hilarious who-done-it. She plays Camille Dixon, a snobbish spinster who runs the local theater in a small town. Camille wishes it were everyone's life she had control of but settles on masterminding that of her younger sister Cora (Moore).

When Cora's rebellious daughter, Emma (Liv Tyler) returns to Holly Springs, Miss. to start a new life, she never looks for her mother and in fact only has a fondness for her great aunt Cookie (Neal). Cookie rambles around her antebellum home reminiscing with friend and boarder Willis (Charles S. Dutton). As he prepares his favorite dish, catfish enchiladas, the two talk about Cookie's deceased husband, Buck, as if he'll come strolling up the walk.

When Cookie is discovered shot in her bed, a series of who-done-it and how scenarios, bring the story together. The characters in this movie are delectable and rich with style. Chris O'Donnell as Jason, an inept sheriff's deputy, makes Barney Fife look like General Colin Powell. Jason is in love with Emma and the two find the most interesting of times and places to test their lovemaking skills.

When Willis is charged with Cookie's murder because his prints are on the murder weapon, Emma refuses to let him sit in jail alone. So she, Willis and the Sheriff, play checkers every day in front of an open jail cell.

> *"The irony of a small Southern town is that everyone basically knows your secrets; they just don't talk about it," Altman said.*

The movie has a reminiscent feel of *Waiting for Guffman*. Funny, clever and imaginative, screenwriter Anne Rapp blends comedy, blues, intrigue and fun into an enjoyable few hours. "It's a deliciously written script," Glenn Close said, "You can feel the whole life of all these beautifully divine characters."

Textured in a theme of matriarchal families, rivalries, and the difficulty of keeping secrets in a small town, Altman paints a thousand words with his characters.

"The irony of a small Southern town is that everyone basically knows your secrets; they just don't talk about it," Altman said. "It's a false front to think you're hiding your dirty linen when, meanwhile, your neighbor's taking it down to the public river and washing it out."

Other notable stars such as Lyle Lovett, Rufus Thomas, Ruby Wilson, Ned Vance and Courtney B. Vance round out this zealous cast. *Cookie's Fortune* is the perfect after-dinner treasure.

**MOVIE REVIEW**

*"Cookies Fortune" — Rated PG13 Some Violence*

**A**

*The Alpine Sun* Rating
A — F
Great— Really Bad

*Cast: Glen Close, Patricia Neal, Julianne Moore, Chris O'Donnell*
*Director: Robert Altman*
*Studio: October Films*
*Family Rating: Rated PG-13 some violence*

Joyce Rudolph
**Glenn Close stars as Camille Dixon in *Cookie's Fortune***

# DINING GUIDE

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*Business Profile*

# Bringing a love for music to town

**By Diana Saenger**
Business Editor

"Most of the time people never realize they are constantly listening to music around them," said Hank Garrett, owner of Garrett's Music in Lemon Grove. His business of 12 years has rental instruments, gives music instruction, makes repairs to most equipment and has a store full of merchandise for sale.

Garrett, who was raised in Illinois, claimed he always had a love for music. "There were seven kids in my family and we all played some instrument. Music is an important element in our lives. It has the power to affect our emotions, soothe us, energize us, and make us happy or sad."

After earning a degree in music education, Garrett went to Wisconsin to a trade school where he learned to repair instruments. Originally, he opened his shop as a repair business in La Mesa, then in 1972 moved the business to Lemon Grove and expanded into a full service music store.

Today, he has 10 instructors teaching music, Jason Sieckman as assistant manager and who is fluent in Spanish, and several part-time counter sales help. The majority of instrument rentals or sales are made to marching band members but Garrett's also rents guitars, orchestra instruments and gives piano lessons. He believes supporting a child's interest in music is very valuable but encourages parents to let children decide what instrument they wish to play. "Sometimes a parent wants a kid to play the instrument they played in school," he said. "But the child might want to try something else. Kids needs to have a passion for what they want to learn." Garrett said the national average of children who stay with the instrument they choose and continue to learn is 60 percent.

Garrett's Music store works closely with the surrounding schools, and children are taught on different levels—elementary is middle school, high school is advanced and college is semi-pro. The walls of the store are decorated with photos of past students, some such as the local Buck-O-Nine group are recognizable.

**Hank Garrett at Garrett's Music.** Diana Saenger/ ECCN

Four half-hour private lessons run $32. Students learn to play an instrument, read music and understand music theory. Garrett is planning to start a class at the Alpine Community Center in May and looks to work in other neighboring communities in the future. Two instructors teach piano everyday, guitar and violin are taught every day, trumpet and trombone lessons are taught five days, saxophone and flute are available three days, and clarinet is taught four days.

The store carries sheet music, instrument accessories and learning tapes and CDs. "These are good for many aspects of learning but aren't quite as affective as a real instructor who can lean over and say 'your fingers go here,'" Garrett said.

While not teaching, Garrett works on repairs at the store on brass and wood wind instruments.

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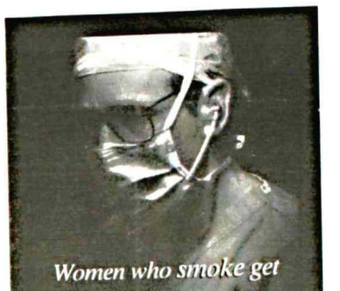

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